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> HOME PHONE 244 THURSDAY, JAN. 3, 1907.

Mr. Bryan is now in a position to state that his government own ership idea has been purloined.

Mr. Carnegie says an income tax makes liars. Not exactly, merely gives them a fresh opportunity.

Emperor William has about concluded that the East Africans are a benighted lot of people who don't deserve to be colonized.

It does not seem to have occurred to any congressman yet to inquire how the new rate law is going to affect the next mileage appropriation bill.

Wouldn't Senator Bailey have stood a whole lot better show with his fellow Texans if he had omitted to pay back the money he borrowed from the Standard Oil Company?

The House last week debated for some time over the proper committees to which to refer the president's message. It finally decided in favor of the Commit tee of the Whole.

It is now stated that the packyards. If all reports be true they could scarcely have selected a better spot for a clinic.

The Secretary of Agriculture says he will be unable to decide for some time to come just what whiskey is. For the purposes of the public it would answer just as well if he could decide what it

An Atlantic jury has just acquitted four negroes who are charged with murder in connection with last September's race riot. Apparently the jury wanted to save a few of the survivors to remember the event by.

Lawyer Patrick says he does not want a pardon for a crime he has not committed, and he is prepared to carry on his fight for years to come. We should think a threat of this sort would get him almost anything he wants.

The trouble between the president and the Senate clique over the discharge of the 25th Infantry has developed to a very unusual and possibly a serious situation. It has been many years since a president of the United States was in a position where even a threat of impeachment would be dared against him, and while there is little idea that the breach between the president and the Senate will have any eventuality, still that possibility has been hinted at. The whole thing is a matter of politics. Senators Foraker and Penrose both have a large colored constituency and they are bound to talk for the effect which it will have in their respective states. The chances are that if Foraker and Penrose were left alone they would talk for the benefit of the Congressional Record and then let the

matter drop. But at this point another factor enters the equation, and that is Bailey of Texas. Bailey hates the president, politically and personally, with a wholesouled and consistent hatred that is rather unusual in that gentleman. It is expected that when he comes back after the holiday recess, he will take advantage of the situation to vent his personal spite during the discussion of the Foraker resolution. Most of the other southern members would be glad to let the matter drop, because it is neither good politics nor to their personal liking to keep the race question stirred up at fever heat as it now is. Moreover, it is suspected they secretly approve the president, right or wrong.

The more conservative view of the situation is that the Foraker resolution will be passed and possibly that the committee on military affairs will hold a post session meeting and go into the discharge of the troops until they are driven off by the hot weather. There is every prospect that if an investigation once starts it will be a long and tiresome affair. The president has announced his intention, if a measure is passed reinstating the discharged troops, of vetoing the same. If it is passed over his veto he says that he will take the matter to the Supreme court for a final settlement and those who know him best say that he is fully capable of doing so. As the president and Senate have theoretically equal powers it would thus be left to the Supreme court to decide whether or not the president as commander-in-chief of the army had exceeded his rights. Ammunition is being accumulated on both sides. The president has already sent Mr. Purdy, of the Department of Justice, to Texas to make a thorough investigation into the facts of the case, and the committee ers have established a firstclass on military affairs, in spite of the mon case, but it does happen veterinary college at the stock large amount of work already some times. On the other hand, cut out for it, has been looking up precedents and the law in the case with a view to meeting the issue when it arises, as it is almost certain to do. The fact that this is a short session stands against deliberate action, but there is bound to be much talk and the country will be treated to a test of strength between the legislative and executive branches of the government such as has not been witnessed for a generation past,

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

There is a good deal of fun for outsiders over the situation in which Congress has left itself, owing to the refusal of the House to pass the bill raising members pay to \$7500 a year. All members were in favor of the measure; in fact, it would be hard to limit extended to thirtysix hours. find a man anywhere who would In the face of the strenuous probe averse to having his salary tests from every Humane Socieraised. It even may be said that ty in the country this was done. there is a fair reason for making But the railroads were not satisthe raise in this case. Members fied even with this iniquitous law of Congress are not overpaid and land cases have been certified to the expenses of living in Washington have increased to such an extent that it is becoming hard for a man to hold a seat in Congress if he has not independent cars for periods running up to means with which to eke out his ninety hours. The Secretary of salary. However, the members Agriculture has secured evidence of the House were afraid to vote in between five and six hundred for a raise of their own salary, such cases and they have been and after increasing the salary presented to the Department of of Speaker Cannon they voted Justice for rigorous prosecution. down the bill to boost their own The maximum penalty for each wages. There was a hope, if not individual shipment is \$500, and an absolute expectation, among if a carload of cattle should be the members that the Senate shipped, all belonging to differmight bell the cat and pass such ent parties, the maximum penala measure after which the House ty for over-running the time limcoald concur with becoming re- it with such a load would be \$10. luctance. But the Senate is show- | 000. Not many such cases are ing little disposition to pull chest- included among the list, but there nuts out of the fire for the House. are sean in y osecutions afoot to both one year for only \$1.50.

whom an increase in salary is a matter of comparative indifference. So it looks as though a few sessions more might pass leaving the increased compensation of members still an urgent but unsolved problem.

There is another matter of sal-

ary increase which the underpaid clerks to congressmen are watching with hungry eyes and which stands a little better show of passing. As the law now stands congressmen are allowed \$1200 a year for clerk hire and many of them put their wives or daughters on the clerical roll, pocket the money and do the work themselves. Others club together and hire a single clerk, each paying him not more than \$10 a week and pocketing the remainder of the salary. The measure of relief for the clerks contemplates putting them on the regular salary roll of the House and Senate and paying them each \$1500 year direct. It may be said in justice to some representatives and senators that they not only give their clerks all the stipulated \$1200, but a good deal besides. and some of them by generosity with market, real estate and other tips, have enabled their clerks to become independently rich. There is one case known to many correspondents in Washington salary of \$6000. The other was where a correspondent losing his J. E. Speer, who made the ininewspaper job got a clerkship tial reports on the Tonapa goldunder a wealthy eastern senator. | fields, he gets a salary of \$10, He made good and saved the sen- 000. ator time, money and trouble, in the numerous ways that an efficient secretary can for a public man. One day the old gentleman suggested that he buy a bunch of X. Y. Z. stock on the theory that it was going up. The secretary replied that he had no money to venture in such a speculation, whereupon the old gentleman wrote O. K. on his card, addressed it to his own brokers, and inside of a week advised the clerk to sell out. Meantime the stock scored an advance of \$65. 000. This is by no means a comone of the very wealthiest senators, who still occupies a seat, took in a newspaper man as his secretary about a year ago, kept him all one winter, allowed him to spend over \$400 in small treats for disagreeable constituents whom the senator did not want to meet himself, and at the end of that time refused even to settle the wine bill and other prac-

The Secretary of Agriculture has at last gone after the railroads for violation of the cattle transportation law passed at the last session of Congress. It will be recollected that the old law forbade railroad companies to keep cattle on the cars for more than twentyeight hours without food and drink and a rest of five hours. Even this was entirely too long, but the packing house, railroad and cattle interests made a bitter fight to have the time the Solicitor of the Agricultural department in which they have kept cattle crowded and starving and famished with thirst in the

tically necessary expenses which

the clerk had contracted on his

Most of the senators, it may be mulct the railroads of several remarked, are wealthy men, to hundred thousand dollars, should the maximum penalty be imposed in all cases. It is said that cases can be made against every important railroad in the United States and that this will be done as rapidly as the papers can be prepared.

The government is continually losing good men from its scientific department, owing to the fact that the government salaries paid them are extremely small and are limited by law. Private corporations are under no such limitation, and if a man makes for himself a reputation it is almost impossible for the government to keep him. The past week has been particularly notable in cases of this sort. The Agricultural department has lost one of its most expert scientists, Dr. Herbert J. Webber, who developed the long-staple upland cotton, the hardy orange, and a number of other important improvements in the plant-breeding line. The Bureau of Corporations has lost Herbert D. Brown, the man who did the most important work in the Bureau's re port on oil transportations, while the Geological Survey has lost two men. One of them was Harvey Weed, a copper mining expert, who from a position of \$1400 a year was taken up by a big New York corporation at a



THRILLING NEWS.

How the Discovery of Ether Excited

the Medical World. It is difficult at this day to re alize what the excitement must have been both in the world at large and among the medical profession on the discovery of other. The late Sir Benjamin Richardson in his "Vita Medica" gives an account of the commotion which prevailed in the medical college at Glasgow when the news reached the physicians of the city.

According to custom, a large class was seated in the college theater, waiting for the midday lecture The professor, Dr. Moses Buchanan was always scrupulously punctual, but minute after minute went by and he did not appear. Finally he came, but only to say, to the students' great surprise, that there would be no lecture that day. He had, he announced, a wonderful piece of news to tell-the fact that method had been discovered through which surgical operations could be performed without pain.

"I am," said he, "on my way to the Royal infirmary to take part there in the trial of the new system, and by and by we shall meet to learn if the news which has reached us is really true. If it be, this day is a red letter day in all our

The announcement created the greatest excitement, and all the students trooped off at once to the Royal infirmary. There Professor Andrew Buchaman, who was to perform the operation, stepped forward and repeated the news which had come from the Massachusetts hospital and described the process so far as he knew it. The patient was then sent for, and he came in quite smilingly, rather proud of being the first man in Scotland to enjoy the honor and good fortune of being cut without pain.

The usual programme followed, He laughed, wept and went through the gamut of emotions produced by ether, but he finally sank to sleep, and the operation was brilliantly performed.

Sheridan's Gratitude,

Sheridan once had occasion to call at a hairdresser's to order a wig. On being measured the barber, who was a liberal soul, invited the orator to take some refreshment in an inner room. Here he regaled him with a bottle of port and showed so much hospitality that Sheridan's heart was touched. When they rose from the table and were about separating the latter, looking the barber full in the face, said, "On reflecting I don't intend that you shall make my wig."

Astonished and with a blank visage, the other exclaimed: "Good heavens, Mr. Sheridan! How can I have displeased you?"

"Why, look you," said Sheridan, "you are an honest fellow, and, I repeat it, you shan't make my wig, for I never intended to pay for it. I'll go to another less worthy son of the craft."-Liverpool Mercury.

The Journal and The American Boy

The Sneezewood Tree.

This queer name is given to a certain tree that is native to Natal and other parts of South Africa. Workmen cannot saw or plane it without sneezing, the dust having precisely the same effect as the strongest snuff. The wood has a bitter taste, and insects give it a wide berth. For this reason it is much used for work that is required to last a long

Long Series of Bridges.

The railroad which is to run from Miami, Fla., to Key West will require from the mainland to the latter city an almost continuous series of bridges. These, aggregating sixty-two miles in length, are to span the stormy channels separating the coral islets known as the Florida The Bottle Fountain.

Pour water into a vial until you have half filled it and then through the cork run a piece of straw or small glass tube of sufficient length to project slightly above the cork at the top and to reach within a quarter of an inch of the bottom of the vial. With varnish or sealing wax hermetically seal the cork, leavng the tube open, of course.

Get an ordinary pickle bottle and, having warmed it over the gas or a lamp, turn it upside down over the



vial, as shown in the cut. To pre vent air from getting into the bottle you should lay a few sheets of dampened blotting paper in the bottom of a plate and stand the bottle on them

Then press firmly upon the bottle to make the connection at the neck perfectly air tight, and in a short time you will see a little jet of water come up through the tube from the vial, and if you have followed these instructions closely the jet will go up and strike the bottom of the bottle. The reason is that the contraction of the inner air from the cooling of the bottle causes a pressure to be exerted apon the surface of the water in the vial, and that forces it up through the

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